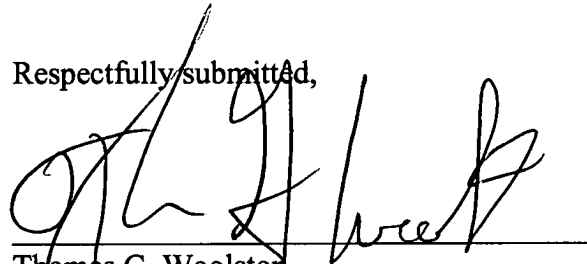
 information of said second-tier participant price term from said first data storage location to said second-tier participant;  
a fifth data storage location for holding payment information for said transaction;  
and  
a transaction processor for processing said payment information for said transaction.

REMARKS

No new matter has been added by this preliminary amendment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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